Approved For Release 2002/08/20 : CIA JAN 1972 Lt. General Donald V. Bennett Director Defense Intelligence Agency Room 3 E 282 The Pentagon Dear Don: In answer to your letter of 17 December 1971, I should be glad to have John Hughes as new chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee, with Admiral Whitmire as his alternate. I agree that a review of the current priority statement is in order, and I suggest Mr. Hughes make this an early order of business of the committee. Sincerely, Richard Helms Richard Helms cc: Members of Ad Hoc Committee Executive Secretary USIB 25X1 DCI/NIPE: 28 Dec 71) Distribution: orig - addressee 1 - DCI (1)- DDCI 25X1 1 - ea member ad hoc com Brandwein, Chamberlain, 25X1 1 - Exec Second 1 - NIPE subj 1 - NIPE chrono 1 - NIPE:TAP

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Mr. Richard Helms
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Dear Dick:

As I mentioned to you in Mr. Packard's office on 30 November, I believe it is time to make some changes in the Ad Hoc Committee. On 11 February 1970 I wrote to John Bross (DIA Serial S-168/CS) concerning the DIA chairman for this Committee. That letter designated my Chief of Staff, Rear Admiral D. M. Showers, USN, as the chairman and Brigadier General Daniel O. Graham, USA, as his alternate.

In view of Mac Showers' imminent retirement, I would now like to designate Mr. John Hughes, Deputy Director for Collection and Surveillance, as chairman. I would further like to designate Rear Admiral Donald B. Whitmire, USN, Assistant Deputy Director for Intelligence, as his alternate.

I also suggest that the Committee should thereafter undertake a review of the current priority statement to effect any necessary changes.

Sincerely,

D. V. BENNETT, Lieutenant General, USA

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